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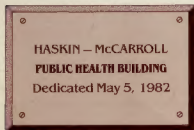
Annual Report **1982**



Newark Department
of
Health and Welfare



Dennis Cherol looks on as Mayor Gibson presents keys of the city to Mrs. Aaron H. Haskin and to Dr. E. Mae McCarroll.



Mayor Gibson presents Mrs. Haskin with a copy of the proclamation which honored her late husband.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Haskin-McCarroll Public Health Building officially opened.
- Infant mortality rate continues to decrease.
- Department designates 1982 the "Year of the Young Child."
- The Center for Disease Control and the New Jersey Department of Health jointly reported that the Newark sexually transmitted disease clinic was rapidly progressing to "Model Clinic Status" and was soon to be named a regional training center.
- Pre-kindergarten health examinations initiated.
- Operations of the Dayton Community Health Center and the North Newark Community Health Center were transferred from the department to private health care providers saving the City millions of dollars without curtailing services.
- Construction of the new sexually transmitted disease clinic completed.
- Client visits to the health clinics increased to over 60,000 visits.
- Consolidation of the Newark Office on Aging and the Elderly Nutrition Project provided seniors with more efficient service, cut cost and eliminated the duplication of services.
- Plans to computerize the welfare system were finalized.

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KENNETH A. GIBSON

MAYOR-Newark, New Jersey

Once again, Newark's commitment to the health and welfare of its citizens was most adequately displayed in the year 1982. Although adverse economic and social conditions continued to impact heavily upon the health status of the City of Newark, the Department of Health and Welfare was able to meet the increasing demands of the community and made great strides in decreasing the prevalence and incidence of major diseases.

A further example of Newark's commitment to the health care of its citizenry was demonstrated by the official opening of the new Haskin-McCarroll Public Health Building, one of the most effective and efficient health care centers in the state of New Jersey. Dr. E. Mae McCarroll and the late Dr. Aaron H. Haskin dedicated their lives to the people of Newark. Their exemplary service to public health, the courage to be innovators, and their unselfish devotion to the people of our city will long be remembered and revered. The building which proudly bears their name will continue to provide quality health care to those who need it the most and deserve the best.

In the future, our goal will be to continue protecting our citizens from disease and illness; an honorable duty which we are proud to perform and from which we will never deviate.

DENNIS G. CHEROT
Director of Health and Welfare



Health care in Newark has come a long way since the first municipal board of health was established 125 years ago in 1857. At that time, there were no hospitals, public health buildings or clinics. The entire budget for health care totaled less than \$9,000 per year, or a meager seven cents per capita.

Today, the health care delivery system in Newark is without question, one of the most comprehensive and professionally run systems in the country. The services provided by our expert staff are the best available.

Since 1971, the City's infant mortality rate has decreased dramatically and our clinic visits have almost tripled. Health education services have reached more than 150,000 residents and there have been no major outbreaks of infectious or contagious diseases due to our extensive immunization program.

In the past year, 63,658 food packages were provided to Newark's expectant mothers, infants and children through the WIC Program and each year, more than 1,000,000 meals are provided to the City's eligible youth through the department's Summer Food Program. The Newark Office on Aging's Elderly Nutrition Project provided a total of 292,517 meals to the City's senior's and more than 60,000 client visits were made to our health clinics. In 1982, the Division of Public Welfare provided services to more than 130,000 clients and the Division of Inspections made more than 67,000 inspections.

The accomplishments of 1982 were many and space precludes me from mentioning them all. However, I would like to mention the opening of our new Haskin-McCarroll Public Health Building. The new structure has significantly increased our ability to provide more efficient care to our residents. It has become a symbol of hope to all those who otherwise could not afford the proper care that every person needs and deserves. The health and well-being of our citizens is our number one priority and we are dedicated to that purpose just as Dr. Aaron H. Haskin and Dr. E. Mae McCarroll dedicated their lives and careers to the public good. Their contributions in their chosen field are without equal and will forever stand as the example to emulate.

I am proud to work with so many fine and talented professionals and for an administration that puts the welfare of the people above all other concerns.

The Division of Public and Community Health Services is the major provider of public health services for the residents of Newark. In December of 1981, we moved from the old City Dispensary to the new Public Health Service Building located at 110 William Street. The new building was dedicated on May 5, 1982 and is named the Haskin-McCarroll Public Health Building. For over twenty five years, Dr. Aaron H. Haskin and Dr. E. Mae McCarroll were very active in public health and made many significant health contributions to the City of Newark. The new building houses most of the services offered by the Department of Health and Welfare and enables us to provide more effective and efficient health care for the residents of Newark.

The Health Division provides a variety of public and community health services, which include medical health services, communicable diseases control, child hygiene, paraochial school health, dental hygiene, public health nursing, chest diseases control, podiatry, eye care, laboratory services, sexually transmitted disease control, pharmacy, and health education. The Division is also responsible for the over-all administration and coordination of certain federally and/or state funded health programs.

The Health Division had approximately 14,500 visits to its therapeutic clinics, 6,707 visits to its pediatric clinics, dispensed more than 44,500 prescriptions, and administered 7,200 immunizations.

In summary, the goals of the Division of Health are in direct association with the changing economic, political and social climate affecting the nation as a whole. It is our hope that the positive trends realized during recent years can be continued and expanded in the future.

DR. MICHAEL FRATANTUNO
Health Officer



DIVISION OF HEALTH

BUREAU OF CHEST DISEASES is responsible for the control of tuberculosis and the coordination of all TB services within the City. Activities include case finding, reporting, contact investigation, diagnostic and treatment services, follow-up of delinquent patients and preventive treatment.

The tuberculosis morbidity rate for 1982 was 43.4 per hundred thousand population or 146 diagnosed cases of clinically active tuberculosis. The clinics had a total of 13,807 clients visits.

BUREAU OF CHILD HYGIENE/PAROCHIAL SCHOOL HEALTH serviced approximately 7000 parochial school pupils with physical examinations, TB and Scoliosis screenings, hearing and vision testing, blood pressures, first aid and immunization evaluation. Also, the bureau serviced 6,700 patients in the City's Child Health Conferences. The children were given examinations, immunizations, counseling and all of the same screenings mentioned above for parochial school pupils. The bureau completed 7,048 complete physicals, 5,906 immunizations, 2,368 TB test, 7,409 vision screenings, 5,025 hearing test, 611 lead, 4,198 Hemoglobin, 4,081 Scoliosis, and 973 Blood pressure screenings.

BUREAU OF COMMUNICABLE DISEASE CONTROL is responsible for preventing communicable and other reportable diseases from occurring and controlling them when they do occur. The functional areas of service include: Epidemiologic Services, Laboratory Analysis, Sample Collection, Swimming Pool Inspections and Pool Water Collection for laboratory analysis, Rabies Control, Immunization and General Services. The bureau made 846 inspections, collected 6,698 specimens (urine, wassermans, lead, etc.) investigated 3,322 animal bites.

THE BUREAU OF DENTAL HYGIENE provides education, prevention and treatment of dental problems for both adults and children. There were 4,669 visits to the clinic, 2,578 new patients and 16,473 treatments given during the year.

BUREAU OF DOG CONTROL is responsible for the licensure of all dogs. The bureau issued 4,700 licenses for a net revenue of \$28,228. In 1982, the bureau picked up 2,638 stray dogs, 940 stray cats, and 1,675 dead animals.

BUREAU OF HEALTH EDUCATION provides health education to the community and to the staff of the department. Vital health information is disseminated through inservice training for staff, and community presentations (health fairs, speaking engagements, workshops, etc.) The bureau provided necessary health information to more than 150,000 residents.

BUREAU OF MEDICAL HEALTH SERVICE provides a wide range of preventive, diagnostic and therapeutic services to the medically indigent and general assistance clients. Services which support the clinic's operations and are also part of the Bureau's services are the City Dispensary, Pharmacy and X-Ray departments.

During the year, 14,447 patient visits were made to the therapeutic clinic, 3,037 X-Rays were taken, 44,519 prescriptions dispensed and a total of 7,200 immunizations were administered.

BUREAU OF PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING provides routine services to clients in the areas of health assessment, health screening, counseling and education, referral, follow-up and administering treatment and medication. The bureau serviced 2,540 patients in the therapeutic clinics, 3,366 in the child health conferences, and 6,958 in parochial schools. Also, the bureau administers services at the City's two health centers and at the Chest and STD Clinics.



Dental hygiene screenings were provided to hundreds of children through the outreach activities of the health division.



The smile on her face tells it all. The healthy baby pictured above is one of the thousands of children who receive thorough physical examinations in our Pediatric clinic.

BUREAU OF SOCIAL SERVICES addresses the problems of arranging for adequate social services for Newark's indigent who seek or are referred to services available under the auspices of the Division of Health. The duties of the bureau include Eligibility Determination, Prescription Approval, and Social Service Case Management. The bureau approved 32,522 prescriptions, 2,924 clinic visits, 1,005 dental visits and 1,898 laboratory services.

BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS renders prompt and accurate reporting, stores and records all births, marriages and deaths occurring in Newark, as well as those in other municipalities concerning Newark residents. It provides free birth certificates to all babies born in the City (resident and non-resident), notifies other municipalities of births, deaths, and marriages of their residents; searches and issues upon request, births and marriage certificates to persons who may have lost or misplaced theirs. In 1982, there were 6,758 births, 3,285 deaths, and 2,634 marriages in Newark.

PUBLIC HEALTH LABORATORY provides laboratory services for all the divisional, diagnostic and therapeutic clinics and provides laboratory support for several federal and state funded community health programs which operate under the auspices of the Department. The comprehensive laboratory system lends support to the food and drug inspector by performing food analysis, and provides water analysis for swimming pool water. In 1982, Public Health Laboratory performed 61,738 tests.

SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASE CLINIC provides diagnostic treatment and epidemiological follow-up services for sexually transmitted diseases. Seven (7) diseases are routinely identified and treated; gonorrhea, pelvic inflammatory disease, non gonococcal urethritis, trichomonas, candidiasis, syphilis and pediculosis pubis. During the year, 16,339 patients visits were made to the clinic.

VITAL STATISTICS

Newark	1981	1982
Births	6,516	6,758
Deaths	3,360	3,285
Marriages	2,559	2,634

CLINIC VISITS

ASSESSMENT	3,681
MEDICAL	5,033
METABOLIC	2222
PODIATRY	1,301
EYE	1,052
MEDICAL EVALUATION	1,158
PEDIATRICS	6,707
CHEST DISEASES	8,888
STD	16,339



Public Health Nurses provide services to all clinical areas of the Division of Health.



Staff members listen attentively to the CPR instructor during a training session conducted by the Health Education Bureau.

DIVISION OF HUMAN SERVICES



FLORENCE PETERSEN
Director

The Division of Human Services provides categorical social services and primary health care (through contractual agreement with private health care providers) to the residents of Newark. The major areas of services offered include: (a) services to senior citizens (b) primary health care delivery (c) maternal and child development services (d) substance abuse treatment programs. Services were provided through the efforts of seven (7) social service programs, five (5) health centers and eighteen (18) day care centers.

SERVICES FOR SENIOR CITIZENS

NEWARK OFFICE ON AGING:

The Elderly Nutrition Project and the Newark Office on Aging were consolidated to eliminate the duplication of services and to cut cost.

In addition to many social, cultural and recreational services, the new, more efficient Newark Office on Aging was able to supply 15,944 participants with a hot meal at one of the 14 nutritional sites on a daily basis. Through 1982, 292,517 meals provided at least one-third of the daily recommended dietary allowance for Newark's senior citizens. A "Meal-On-Wheels Program," which provides meals to homebound elderly, benefited 60 seniors daily. The City's two senior centers provided a myriad of services to 1,450 seniors. The transportation service transported a total of 7,898 senior citizens to various cultural, recreational and educational activities. The program was honored in 1982 by being named the recipient of the Gerontological Society of America's Research Fellowship.

PRIMARY HEALTH CARE DELIVERY

Ambulatory health care services were provided to the indigent population of the City at five (5) private and community-based health facilities. Two (2) of the centers, Dayton Community Health Center and North Newark Community Health Center were previously operated by the Division, but were leased to private health care agencies during 1982. The remaining three (3) health centers are: Tri-City Health Action Projects, Gladys E. Dickinson Health Center and Ironbound Community Health Project.

The Division sub-contracts with the private and community-based health center for the provision of primary care services to the indigent population of the City. During 1982, a total of 26,101 medically indigent patient visits for health care services were recorded.

MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH

WOMEN, INFANTS AND CHILDREN'S SUPPLEMENTAL FEEDING PROGRAM: The program provides nutritional education, food packages and health screening to an on-going caseload of approximately 6,000 participants. The program encouraged initiation of prenatal care and proper dieting techniques early in pregnancy. During 1982, a total of 63,658 food packages were provided to eligible participants. **SuNuP:** The primary objective of the program is the provision of nutritious meals to children between the ages of six and twelve years of age and who are from low income families. More than one million meals were provided to Newark's children during the year. The meals were served (breakfast 362,584, lunch 550,871, P.M. snack 47,243, and dinner 302,390) at 171 sites throughout the City.

CHILD CARE NETWORK:

Technical assistance is provided to eighteen (18) day care centers, for which the Department provides 25% of their operating cost, by the Child Care Network. The centers offered nutrition education, health education, recreation, social growth and child development activities. In the past year, the centers served, on a daily basis, an enrolled population of 3,969 children.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT PROGRAMS

NON-MEDICAL ALCOHOL DETOXIFICATION PROGRAM:

Detoxification services, counseling, referral and transportation to residents of Newark and neighboring communities is offered by the program. A total of 1,058 clients were served in 1982. The length of stay for each client was usually between two (2) and seven (7) days; depending on the severity of the alcohol withdrawal symptoms and the patient response to treatment. Upon completion of detoxification services, patients were referred to area rehabilitation facilities for further treatment.

During the year, the program completed its emergency medical affiliation agreement with University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey.

MULTIPHASIC METHADONE TREATMENT PROGRAM:

The program provides medical examinations, counseling, referrals, chemotherapy and methadone medication to a total of 289 enrolled clients in 1982. The methadone medication is provided on a daily basis. A cost-sharing system whereby clients were required to contribute towards the cost of their treatment was implemented.



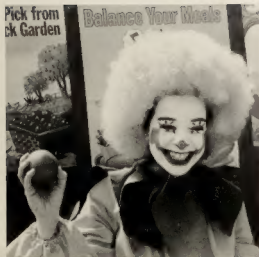
Mayor Gibson proclaims the month of May as "Older Americans Month."



Hot lunches were provided to the seniors during ceremonies celebrating "Older Americans Month."



Dennis Cherot and Mayor Gibson turn over the keys to Dayton Community Health Center to Ken Petersen of North Jersey Community Union. The transfer of operations to North Jersey saved the City millions of dollars without curtailing services to the community.



The Nutrition Clown entertains and educates children at the "Week of the Young Child" health fair sponsored by the Department.



Children share a snack and a smile at the "Children Are Special" Health Fair.

The Department of Health & Welfare Celebrates 1982 as Year of the Child



Pre-School youngsters learn about health through animals during a tour of the Health Department.



What would a fair be without a little Music?



Recreational activities, as well as educational activities were available to children attending the outreach programs of the Department.

JOSEPH MCGINLEY
Director of Inspections

- 1 **The Building Bureau** examines and processes all plans and construction applications to determine if they comply with the Uniform Construction Code and upon approval, issues permits for construction. The bureau inspects all real estate prior to sale for code violations and maintains records on the inspection of all properties.
- 2 **The Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention and Control Project** identifies, tests, and refers children with elevated blood lead levels to medical institutions. They identify the source of lead in each case and eliminate it from the child's environment.
- 3 **The Bureau of Code Enforcement** is responsible for enforcing state laws and local ordinances related to housing and industry. Compliance with laws and regulations pertaining to health, safety, maintenance, use and occupancy of private buildings, dwellings and vacant lots is assured by the bureau. To insure compliance with the State Multiple Dwelling and Hotel Act, the bureau inspects all hotels and dwellings with three or more units.
The bureau is also responsible for the inspection of places of employment with respect to illumination, fumes, vapors, and mist and for the protection of the worker from physical hazards and exposure to toxic and infectious substances and prevention of occupational diseases.
- 4 **The Electrical Bureau** reviews plans and issues permits for electrical work. Electrical inspectors review all new electrical installations as well as existing wiring in buildings, hotels, homes, theaters, factories, parking lots, etc. The bureau is empowered to inspect all wiring, appliances and equipment before any electrical work is put into service. Upon approval, the bureau will issue a Certificate of Occupancy to the property owner.
- 5 **The Food and Drug/Meat Inspection Bureau** is responsible for the inspection of approximately 3500 food, drug and cosmetic establishments operating in the City of Newark. Routine samplings are continuously taken to determine the extent of compliance with all regulations and legal requirements and in many instances, to determine fitness of food or evidence of adulterations and/or misbranding.
- 6 **The Plumbing Bureau** examines all plans for plumbing installations and issues permits upon satisfactory plan review. The bureau inspects buildings for enforcement of the Plumbing Code.
- 7 **The Urban Rodent and Insect Control Program** conducts a semi-annual comprehensive rat and sanitation survey in target areas throughout the City. Problem premises, as indicated by the survey, are visited by members of the bureau's Health Education Unit and instructed on how to prevent and control rat infestation problems. All such premises are baited with anti-coagulant rodenticides. The bureau is also responsible for the coordination of neighborhood clean-ups of vacant lots.
- 8 **The Bureau of Weights and Measures** inspects and tests all weighing and measuring devices used in the trades. Upon approval, a state seal is placed upon the device and the dealer is given authorization to use it. If the device is found to be incorrect, it is condemned for repairs which must be done in a specified period of time or removed from the premises, and in some cases the condemned device is confiscated and destroyed.





LICENSE REVENUE

JOL RNEYMAN ELECTRICIAN	\$2 200
MASTER PLUMBER	120
TOTAL LICENSE REVENUE	\$3 320

PERMIT REVENUE

LAUNDRETT/DY CLEANER	\$6 450
BUILDING	275,115
ELEVATOR	4,400
ELECTRICAL	30,959
PLUMBING	20 604
AIR POLLUTION	518
FOOD, DRUG AND MEAT	3,935
ANIMAL REPAIR	4 200
TOTAL PERMIT REVENUE	\$345,959

1982 INSPECTIONS

	INSPECTIONS	REINSPECTION	TOTAL
BUILDING BUREAU	7544	2817	10,415
ELECTRICAL BUREAU	2008	756	2744
PLUMBING BUREAU	2465	643	3108
CODE ENFORCEMENT	15,814	8224	24038
WEIGHTS AND MEASURES	13,074	81	13,155
FOOD AND DRUG AND MEAT	4576	1278	5854
LEAD POISONING BUREAU	1288	2951	4239
RODENT CONTROL PROJECT	3878	166	4044
DIVISION TOTAL	50 647	16,950	67,597

SHIRLEY GREEN
Director of Public Welfare

As a temporary assistance agency, the Division of Public Welfare provides financial, medical and ancillary services to the medically indigent, childless low income couples and low income single individuals. A major responsibility of the Division is to refer recipients to supportive social service agencies for job training, employment and educational opportunities that will eventually lead toward the goal of economic independence. In 1982, 130,440 clients were serviced by initiating referrals to such agencies as: Aid to Families with Dependent Children, Food Stamps, Supplemental Security Income (S.S.I.), Unemployment Insurance Benefits, Workmen's Compensation, Division of Youth and Family Services and various neighborhood health centers.

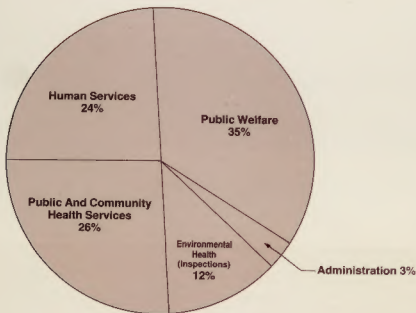
On a monthly basis, the Social Rehabilitative Service Unit of the Division delivers services to an average of 8,460 clients. The services include: medical, domestic relations, General Assistance Employment Program, and referral to supportive social services. Also, enrolled clients received assistance with in-patient and out-patient hospital care, prescriptions, mental health care, nursing home services and financial assistance. In conjunction with the United States Department of Labor and Industry, Division of Employment Services, the Division provides a special work component project in which 800 of the employable clients participate each month.

Due to a major influx in the number of disabled clients in 1982, the nonemployable clients outnumber the employable clients; nonemployable (disabled) 4,479, employable 3,953. Total General Assistance expenditures for 1982 were \$23,826,696.68.



Fiscal Summary

Department of Health and Welfare



OPERATING BUDGET

Administration	\$ 446,338
Public Welfare	\$ 6,085,833
Human Services	\$ 4,333,881
Public and Community Health Services	\$ 4,472,228
Environmental Health (Inspections)	\$ 2,060,599
TOTAL Operating Budget	\$17,398,879

REVENUE SOURCES

City	\$11.8 million	68%
State and Federal	\$ 5.5 million	32%

KENNETH A. GIBSON
Mayor

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DENNIS G. CHEROT
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